Scheme for basic needs of AIDS affected persons

†3173. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any scheme to meet the basic needs like education, health and rehabilitation, etc. of the people affected with AIDS from Government exchequer;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The entire package of social sector schemes and programmes of the Government of India and State Governments take care of the education, health and rehabilitation etc. of all persons, including those with chronic illnesses, like HIV/AIDS.

Visit of Specialists of the Ayurvedic System of Medicine to the CGHS Dispensaries

3174. SHRI LALIT SURI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of specialists in medicine-M.Ds. in the Ayurvedic System of Medicine at present with the C.G.H.S. in Delhi and the names of the dispensaries, hospitals and research units where they are posted;

(b) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of C.G.H.S. to depute these specialists to visit outlying Ayurvedic dispensaries on the pattern of allopathic system for the benefit of C.G.H.S. beneficiaries, particularly, the senior citizens; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) There is no sanctioned post of Specialist for Ayurvedic System of Medicine under CGHS, Delhi.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above, the question do not arise.

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